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SUBJECT: RWANDA TRIBUNAL - SYG REPORT

1. SUMMARY: SYG RECOMMENDS ARUSHA AS SEAT OF COURT. OTHER PLACES CONSIDERED AND REJECTED WERE KIGALI AND NAIROBI.

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PAGE 02 USUN N 00631 172212Z 2. SYG HAS FINALLY COMPLETED REPORT REQUESTED BY RES DECONTROLLED/UNCLASSIFIED

955(5) RE SEAT OF COURT (S/1995/134). COPY FAXED L/UNA. REPORT SUMMARIZES LEGAL BASIS FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF TRIBUNAL, SUMMARIZES MAIN PROVISIONS OF THE STATUTE OF THE TRIBUNAL, THE IMPLEMENTATION OF 955 WITH PHASE ONE OF IMPLEMENTATION BEING ESTABLISHMENT OF INVESTIGATIVE, PROSECUTORIAL UNIT AND PHASE TWO BEING OPERATION OF TRIBUNAL.

3. REPORT STATES THAT:

"PENDING THE PREPARATION OF A FULL BUDGETARY SUBMISSION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ESTIMATED FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA FOR THE BIENNIUM 1994-1995, A REQUEST HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS (ACABQ) FOR THE INITIAL FUNDING OF THE FIRST PHASE OF THE OPERATION, I.E., 1 JANUARY-31 MARCH 1995. THE ESTIMATED REQUIREMENTS, BASED ON THE ANTICIPATED ACTIVITIES TO BE CARRIED OUT DURING THAT PERIOD ARE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,951,200. THEY INCLUDE RECRUITMENT OF THE CORE INVESTIGATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF, RETENTION OF OFFICE PREMISES, PROCUREMENT AND ESTABLISHMENT OF COMPUTER AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS. ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS, COSTS OF TRANSFER OF MATERIALS BETWEEN RWANDA, GENEVA AND THE HAGUE IN CONNECTION WITH THE COMMISSION OF EXPERTS AND TRAVEL COSTS ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS BETWEEN THESE LOCATIONS AND WITHIN RWANDA.

"PENDING CONSIDERATION OF THE REQUEST BY ACABQ,
RESOURCES HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE FROM THE TRUST FUND
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TO PERMIT INITIAL RECRUITMENT AND TRAVEL OF STAFF FROM THE YUGOSLAV TRIBUNAL TO RWANDA. IN ADDITION, THE SECRETARY-GENERAL HAS AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURES UP TO A MAXIMUM OF \$191,600 FOR THE PERIOD 15 JANUARY TO 14 FEBRUARY 1995."

4. SO FAR AS SEAT OF TRIBUNAL CONCERNED SYG RECOMMENDS ARUSHA. REPORT CONCLUDES THAT SECURITY SITUATION AND ATMOSPHERE OF KIGALI WAS AT THE LEAST INCONSISTENT WITH JUSTICE APPEARING TO BE DONE AND NOTES THAT WHILE RWANDA

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WOULD HAVE PREFERRED KIGALI, GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA WAS WILLING TO ACCEPT OTHER RELATIVELY NEARBY LOCATION.
NAIROBI WAS CONSIDERED BUT REJECTED BECAUSE GOK DID NOT DESIRE TRIBUNAL. ARUSHA IS IN SYG VIEW BEST AVAILABLE LOCATION.

5. USUN CONCURS THAT ARUSHA IS BEST AVAILABLE LOCATION UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND PLANS TO URGE SC PRESIDENT TO RESOLVE THE MATTER EXPEDITIOUSLY.

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